

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Fumiharu NAKAYAMA  
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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the election of species requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed February 5, 2008, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Species A on which claims 1 to 4 are readable, for examination, without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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